

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 963

By Floyd

A RESOLUTION to recognize Brandon Chase Hookey on becoming an Eagle Scout.

WHEREAS, at a time when this nation's youth face difficult challenges, the Boy Scouts of America is one of our finest assets, providing young men with an educational program that contributes significantly to their character development, citizenship training, and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, the highest rank a Boy Scout can attain is that of Eagle Scout and Brandon Hookey, after considerable effort and diligent preparation, joined the prestigious Eagle Court of Honor on February 8, 2010, a date which also marked the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, Brandon will be recognized for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout on April 3, 2010, his fifteenth birthday; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hookey's notable record of achievement as a member of Boy Scout Troop 5 includes numerous Merit Badges and distinguished service as Patrol Leader and Assistant Patrol Leader; and

WHEREAS, he has demonstrated considerable ability as a leader among his peers and has served in a number of leadership positions, including those of Team Leader of the P.T. Cruisers Relay for Life Team, Secretary of Students Against Destructive Decisions, Secretary and Vice President of 4-H, a member of the Student Council, and the coordinator of the Veteran's Day Luncheon; and

WHEREAS, Brandon has dedicated his time and energies to a number of scholastic and civic organizations, including the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Beta Club, Future Business Leaders of America, and the Cancer Society's Relay for Life; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Brandon Hookey is a four-year member of the honor roll, winner of the 2006 Mable Rice Honor Award, recipient of two Citizenship Awards, winner of Duke TIP Student and People to People Student Ambassador Awards, and a recipient of the Outstanding Achievement, the Highest Science Average, and the National Physical Fitness awards; and

WHEREAS, Brandon's Eagle project greatly contributed to the betterment of his community and reflected the true spirit of Volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should pause to recognize Brandon Hookey as one of the most outstanding young people in our State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Brandon Chase Hookey on becoming an Eagle Scout, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final resolving clause omitted from such copy.